

Test. Edward Jones Grd. Secy. Pro tem.

At a meeting of the Grand Lodge held on the 15th of January 5795 according to adjournment.

Present

The Most Worshipful William R Davie Grand Master

Worshipful James Glasgow D G M

Worshipful John L Taylor G S W

Worshipful John Ingles G J W

Worshipful Wm. Duffy G Trea. pro tem

Worshipful R W Freear G Secretary

Worshipful Henry Hill G S D

Worshipful Dugald McKeethan G J D

Members, John Macon, Duncan McFarland & John Cunroy

Visitors, Brothers G Bradley, J Darden, Jno. M Bedford & A Jett

The Lodge being opened in due form, Deputations from the several Lodges were received and read as following.

From St John's No 1 Wilmington, Brothers Edward Jones, James Read and John Allen.

St John's No 4 Kinston, Brother Probitt Colliyer.

Royal Edwin No. 5, Windsor, Brothers Fran. Pughe, John Woolfendon.

Old Cone No 9 Salisbury, Brothers John Steele & Mont. Stokes

Johnston Caswell No 10 Warrenton, Brothers Kemp Plummer, James Turner, Benjamin Moss & Wm. Falkner.

King Solomon No 18 Jones County, Brother Amos Johnston

Eagle Lodge No 19 Hillsborough, Brothers Stephen Moore & William Duffy

Raleigh Lodge No 20 Tarborough, Brothers John Ingles and Rd. White.

Democratic Lodge No 21 City of Raleigh, Brothers Theophilus Hunter and Dugald McKeethan.

Hiram No 24 Williamsborough, Brothers James Vaughan & John Brodie.

Pansophia No 25 Moore County, Brothers Malcom Mc-

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Neil, Neil McLoid and
Neil Smith.

Pursuant to which the following Brothers, Delegates appeared and took their seats to wit.

Probit Colliyer
Fran Pughe
Montford Stokes
Kemp Plummer
William Falkner
John Allen
Armos Johnston
Stephen Moore
Rd. White
Dugald McKeethan
James Vaughn
Neil Smith

Read a petition of Brother William Leigh praying to become a Member of this Grand Lodge; and upon balloting he was found unanimously elected, and took his seat as such.

On motion and seconded, Resolved that Brothers James Glasgow and William Duffy be appointed a committee to examine the accounts of the late Treasurer, and the State of the Treasury and report the same accordingly.

Read the petition and representation of the Brethren of Raleigh Lodge No 20 Tarborough, representing an undue electing for Officers of the said Lodge, which was referred to a committee consisting of Brothers James Glasgow, Allen, Colliyer, Pughe, Steele, Taylor, Falkner, Johnston, Duffy, McKeethan, Vaughn and Smith who are to report the same accordingly.

On motion and seconded Resolved that Brothers McKee-
than & Marshall be appointed Stewards.

On motion and seconded Resolved that Brothers Glasgow D G M, Taylor, & Stokes, be appointed a committee to take into consideration the letter from Johnston Caswell Lodge No 10 Warrenton, and report thereon accordingly.

The Lodge was then closed in due form.

Teste Richd. W Freear, Gra. Secy.

At a meeting of the Grand Lodge the 17th of January A.D. 1794 (sic) A. Lucius 5794 (sic 5795) when

Present

The Most Worshipful William R Davie Esqr. Grand Master
Worshipful James Glasgow D G M
Worshipful John Louis Taylor G S W
Worshipful John Ingles G J W
Worshipful William Duffy G Tr.

Worshipful Rich. W Freear G Secy.

Worshipful Henry Hill G S D

Worshipful John Allen G J D

Members, Brothers Conroy, John Marshall, & McFarland, & Wm. Leigh.

Delegates, Brothers Edward Jones, Fran. Pughe, John Steele, Kemp Plummer, William Faulkner, Amos Johnston, Rd. White, Dugald McKeethan, Neil Smith, & Barrey.

The Lodge being opened in due form when was read the petition of Brother Kemp Plummer praying to become a member of this Grand Lodge; who being balloted for was found to be unanimously elected; who came in and took his seat accordingly.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the petitions and remonstrances of the Raleigh Lodge No 20 Tarborough, made the following report. "That it is with the deepest concern they remark that the unhappy disputes by which the minds of the Brethren of the said Lodge are unhappy with each other have arisen from a disregard of those sublime virtues, which it is the object of Masonry to inculcate. From the painful emotions thus excited in their minds your Committee find no relief, but hope that those principles which are engraven on the heart of every Mason may again resume their brilliant operation in spite of these unworthy causes which have for a time weakened their energy; and that order and harmony more perfect may be restored after a cruel experiment of the reverse. But an occurrence so new and interesting to the craft, it is with diffidence they submit to the Grand Lodge the propriety of the following measures.

"1st.

That the Charter of the Raleigh Lodge aforesaid be deposited with the Deputy Grand Master, who may be requested to meet the Members of the said Lodge, in their Lodge room at their next quarterly meeting; and if he should find a pure and entire reconciliation to have taken place, then to restore them their Charter.

"2nd. That both the elections be annulled.

"3rd. That the Most worshipful Grand Master be requested to recommend to the Members of the Raleigh Lodge aforesaid who are present in the Grand Lodge a cordial union, and the oblivion of past misunderstandings; to remind

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them of the solemn obligations of the craft, and the many and glorious objects of its institution; of the virtues of forbearance, charity and forgiveness."

By order James Glasgow D G M

The Lodge taking the foregoing report into consideration Resolved that they do concur therewith.

Read a letter from the Royal White Hart No 2 Halifax, informing this Grand Lodge of the expulsion of Samuel McDugall a Member, of that Lodge for practices and conduct degrading to the character of a man, and the uprightness of a Mason unworthy of a further relation and painful to the sublime virtues of the craft. Which was ordered to be filed with the Secretary and entered on the records as a just memento of the said McDugall's ignominious conduct.

The Lodge was then closed in due form until Tuesday evening 6 O'clock P M.

Test. Richd. W Freear. Grand Secy.

Tuesday 20th of January 1795 Anno. Lucius 5795
the Grand Lodge met accordingly when
Present.

The right Worshipful John Louis Taylor Grand Master pro tem

Worshipful John Ingles G S W pro tem

Worshipful John Cunroy G J W protom

Worshipful Walter Alves Trea.

Worshipful Richard W Freear Sec.

Worshipful Henry Hill G S D

Worshipful D McKeethan G J D

Members, Brothers William Leigh, & Duncan McFarland
Visitors, Brother Robert Williams Jun.

Delegates, Edward Jones, John Allen, William Falkner, Neil
Smith, Montford Stokes, & Kemp Plummer.

The Lodge being opened in due form Delegates from the following Lodges appeared and took their seats to wit.
From St John's No 3 Newbern, Brothers David Witherspoon
and Francis X Martin.

American George No 17 Murfreesborough Brother Jethro Dardin.

Ordered that a Charter issue to Brother Benjamin Caswell, John Martin and Probit Colliyer authorizing and empowering them to open and hold a Lodge in Glasgow County by the name of Davie-Glasgow No 26, agreeable to the

dispensation filed.

Brother David Witherspoon, one of the Delegates from the St. John's Lodge Newbern, informing this Grand Lodge that they had relinquished their claim to number two of their charter heretofore asserted by them, and that they were satisfied to work under that of number three. Whereupon it was resolved that the Secretary issue a Charter to St John's Lodge of Newbern in number three aforesaid.

Resolved that the Secretary be directed to issue a new charter to St John's Lodge No 1 Wilmington of the same tenure Etc. of that which they now possess on the delivery of the same by them to the Secretary with a list of the then presiding Officers of its original date, which when received shall be filed among the records of this Grand Lodge.

Ordered that a dispensation issue to Brothers William Lenoir, Henry Young and Charles Hunt authorizing and empowering them to open and hold a Lodge in the town of Huntsville by the name of the Shallowford Lodge.

Ordered that Brothers Jones and Plummer be appointed a committee to wait on the late Treasurer and request him to send forward his books as soon as possible to the care and possession of the present Treasurer.

Ordered that as soon as convenient the Treasurer supply the different Lodges under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge with full and distinct accounts of the several balances due by them to this Grand Lodge, inserting likewise and earnest requisition for the payment of the same.

The Lodge then in due form adjourned until tomorrow 6 o'clock.

Test. Rich. W. Freear. Grand Secretary.

January 21st. An Dom 1795. Anno Lucius 5795 the Grand Lodge met according to adjournment when

Present

The Most Worshipful John Louis Taylor Grand Master pro tem

Worshipful John Ingles G S W pro tem

Worshipful Montford Stokes G J W pro tem

Worshipful Richard Freear G. Sec

Worshipful John Conroy G S D pro tem

Worshipful Dugal McKeethan G J D pro tem

Worshipful John Marshall Stewart.

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Delegates Brothers Plummer, Falkner & Darden.

Visitors, Brothers Tatum, Hilliard & Barrey.

The Lodge was opened in due form.

Brother Ingles presented a petition from Brother Absalom Tatum praying to become a member of this Grand Lodge; who being balloted for, was found to be unanimously elected, and was then introduced into this Lodge, signed the bye-laws and took his seat accordingly.

The Lodge was then in due form closed until Saturday evening next.

Test. Richard W Freear. Grand Sec.

January 25th 1795 A Lucis 5795 the Grand Lodge met according to adjournment when

Present

The M W William R Davie Grand Master

W John L Taylor G S W

W Absalom Tatum G J W pro tem

W Walter Alves Grand Trea.

W William Duffy Grand Sec. pro tem

W John Conroy G S D pro tem

W D McKeethan G J D pro tem

Member. Bro. Marshall

Delegates. Brother Stephen Moore, John Steele, Wm. Falkner, & David Witherspoon.

Visiting Brethern. F Stranger, Andrew Burke & Rhodham Atkyns.

The Lodge opened in due form when a further Delegation was received from St John's Lodge No 3 Newbern certifying that Brother George Ellis was by them appointed vice Brother Francis X Martin; pursuant thereto Brother Ellis took his seat, who with the other Delegate from the said Newbern Lodge No 3, agreeable to the requisition of the Grand Lodge at their last annual meeting explained some part of the conduct of the said Lodge No 3 in such a satisfactory manner that was acceptable to this Grand Lodge.

Brother John Steele presented a petition of Bro. Adlai Osborne and others of Iredell County praying a Charter to authorize and empower them to open and hold a Lodge in the said County of Iredell. Which was accepted and ordered that a Charter issue accordingly.

Brother John Steele as representative of the Old Cone Lodge No 9 Salisbury presented an authenticated extract

from the Journals of the said Lodge from Novem. 8th 5793 to November 7th 5794 Which was accordingly accepted and ordered to be filed.

Brother Absalom Tatum presented a petition of Brother Barre praying to become a member of this Grand Lodge, who on being balloted for was unanimously found to be elected. Who came in and took his seat accordingly.

On motion and seconded Resolved that the Grand Secretary be directed to furnish the Grand Treasurer with an authenticated list of all the Members of this Grand Lodge.

Where as it appears to this Grand Lodge that large draughts have been made on the charitable funds of St Johns Lodge No 3 Newbern and which have been appropriated to the most benevolent purposes: and thereby the funds of that Lodge are nearly exhausted; thereupon Resolved that the said Lodge No 3 have credit for all sums heretofore due from that Lodge to this Grand Charity.

The Lodge was then adjourned in due form.

Test Wm. Duffy Grand Sec. pro tem.

Appendix

EARLY MINUTES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA

At a meeting of the Grand Lodge of the State of North Carolina in the City of Raleigh on Wednesday the 25th of November Anno. Domine 1795 Anno. Lucis 5795 when

Present

The Most Worshipful John L Taylor, Grand Master pro tem
Worshipful John Macon, G S W pro tem
Worshipful Robert Williams Jun. G J W pro tem
Worshipful Richard Freear, G Sec.
Worshipful Duncan McFarland, G S D
Worshipful Neil Smith, G J D

MEMBERS, Brothers Walter Alves, John Cunroy & Warden.
VISITORS, Brothers Murfree and Johnston.

The Lodge being opened in due form when the following delegates were certified to represent the several subordinate Lodges to wit.

From Old Cone Lodge No 9 Salisbury,

Brothers Jno. Steele & M. Stokes.

Johnston Caswell Lodge No 10 Warrenton,
Brother John Macon.

St Tamany Lodge No 16 Martin County,
Brother Joseph Bryan.

Laurel Hill Lodge No 22 Richmond County,
Bro. Duncan McFarland.

Hiram's Lodge No 24 Williamsborough,
Brothers Robert Williams Jun. and William Little.

Democratic No 21 City of Raleigh,
Brothers Dugald McKeethan and Theophilus Hunter.

Pansophia No 25 Moore County,
Brothers Malcom McNeil, Neil Loid & Neil Smith.

Pursuant to which Brothers Macon, Williams, McFarland, McNeil, Stokes, Bryan and Hunter appeared and took their seats.

The Lodge then closed in due form until Saturday next.
Test. Richard W Freear, Grand Secretary.

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December 3rd 1795 A L 5795 the
Grand Lodge met accordingly to adjournment when

Present

The M W William R. Davie, Grand Master

W James Glasgow, D G M

W John Macon, G S W pro tem

W Edward Jones, G J W pro tem

W Kemp Plummer, G. Sec. pro tem

W Dugald McKeethan, G S D

W John Williamson, G J D

MEMBERS, Brothers John Cunroy, Alexander Ferguson,
& H Hill.

VISITORS, Brothers William Hill, Cochran Umstead &
Marshall.

The Lodge being opened in due form when the following
Delegates from the several Lodges appeared and took
their seats to wit.

From St John's Lodge No 1 Wilmington,

Brother Edward Jones.

St John's Lodge No 3 Newbern,

Brother Gen. McClure.

Johnston Caswell Lodge No 10 Warrenton,

Bro. John Macon.

Eagle Lodge No 19 Hillsborough,

Brother William Lytle.

Democratic Lodge No 21 City of Raleigh,

Bro. Dugald McKeethan.

Hiram's Lodge No 24 Williamsborough,

Bro. Robert Williams Jun.

On Motion of Brother Jones and seconded by Brother
Macon Resolved that this Grand Lodge proceed at their
next meeting to the balloting for their Officers the ensuing.

Read the petition of Brother Robert Williams Jun. praying
to become a Member of this Grand Lodge; who being bal-
loted for in due form was found to be unanimously elected.
Who came in and took his seat accordingly.

The Most Worshipful William R Davie Esq. Grand Master
having expressed his consent to fill that important and sub-
lime office of the Grand Master of North Carolina for the
ensuing year, was therefore nominated to that appointment,
and to balloted for at our next meeting; also

Brother James Glasgow as Deputy Grand Master.

John Louis Taylor as Grand Senior Warden.

Henry Hill as Grand Junior Warden.

Walter Alves as Grand Treasurer.

The Lodge then adjourned in due form until the 6th ultimo.

Test. Kemp Plummer, Grand Sec. Pro tem.

December 6th 1795 A Lucis 5795 the
Grand Lodge met accordingly to adjournment when

Present

The M W James Glasgow, Grand Master pro tem

W John Macon, G S W pro tem

W Gen. Joseph McDowell, G J W pro tem

W Richard Freear, G Sec.

W Henry Hill, G S D pro tem

W John Cunroy, G J D pro tem

MEMBER, Brother Walter Alves.

VISITORS, Brothers Marshall and Robert Williams Sen.
of Rockingham.

DELEGATES, Brothers Montford Stokes, Robert Williams
Jun., Wm. Little, Eaton Pughe, & Holliday.

Brother Richard W Freear signified to this Grand Lodge
his resignation as Secretary thereof; whereupon Brother
Robert Williams Jun. was nominated to be balloted for that
appointment.

The Right Worshipful James Glasgow Deputy Grand Master
reported that agreeably to a resolution of the last Grand
Lodge he had settled the accounts of Brother Major General
Frederick Hargett late Grand Treasurer, and there appeared
to be a balance in his hands of thirty nine pounds twelve
shillings & eight pence.

Brother Walter Alves signified to this Grand Lodge his
resignation as Treasurer thereof whereupon Brother John
Macon was nominated to be balloted for that appointment.

The Lodge now proceeded to ballot for Grand Officers the
ensuing year in due form, when it appeared that the following
Brothers were elected to the several Officers to wit.

Brother Major General William R Davie as Grand Master.

Brother James Glasgow Secretary of State as Deputy
Grand Master.

Brother John Louis Taylor as Grand Senior Warden.

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Brother Henry Hill as Grand Junior Warden.

Brother John Macon as Grand Treasurer.

Brother Robert Williams Jun. as Grand Secretary.

The Right Worshipful appointed Brother Richd. W Freear Grand Senior Deacon and Brother Duncan McFarland Grand Junior Deacon. Likewise Brothers Dugald McKeethan & Marshall, Stewerts.

The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master informed this Grand Lodge that agreeably to a resolution of the last Grand Lodge he had met the Brothers of the Raleigh Lodge No 20 Tarborough at their quarterly meeting and found that unanimity and harmony had taken place among the said Brothers, which induced him to deliver to them their Charter and in due form opened their Lodge; when they with Masonic Tranquility elected their Officers and proceeded to work in the ancient form of free and accepted Masons.

Brother Montford Stokes as a representaitve of the Old Cone Lodge No 9 Salisbury presented an authenticated transcript of their Journals up to the present date together with a list of their Members, which was received & ordered to be filed.

The Lodge proceeded to install the following Brother Officers to wit.

Brother Henry Hill as Grand Junior Warden.

John Macon as Grand Treasurer.

Robert Williams Jun. as Grand Secretary.

Who were severally installed accordingly in solemn form and ancient order of free and accepted Masons.

Resolved that the Secretary of this Grand Lodge be and he is hereby directed to write a circular letter to all the Lodges within this State under the Jurisdiction of this Lodge; requesting them to transmit by their delegates to our next meeting, an authenticated transcript of their proceedings together with a list of their Members; in compliance with the duty enjoined on them as expressed in their several Charters.

Brothers Macon, Stokes and Freear are appointed a Committee to examine the accounts of the late Grand Treasurer and make report thereof to our next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

The Lodge was then closed in due form sine die.

Test. Richard W Freear, Grand Secretary.